Construction of Bhopal Doordarshan Kendra

7183. SHRI YOGANAND SARASWATI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the construction work of the Bhopal Doordarshan Kendra has been completed along with the satelite earth station;

(b) whether the Government propose to start a satelite earth station alongwith the TV. studio in Bhopal ; and

(c) if so, by when it is likely to be started?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Whereas work pertaining to establishment of a satelite earth station at Bhopal is in progress, installation works relating to establishment of full-fledged TV studio Centre at Bhopal have been completed.

(b) and (c). The TV Studio Centre at Bhopal can be commissioned into service as soon as the requisite manpower for programme production, operation and maintenance of this Centre becomes available. Satellite earth station presently under implementation at Bhopal is envisaged to be used for the purpose of introduction of satellite-derived regional TV service in the State of Madhya Pradesh, which would essentially depend upon availability of requisite capacity in the space segment.

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Clearance to Power projects sponsored by Private Investors

7184. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government have decided to clear several power projects sponsored by the private investors; and

(b) if so, the names of the projects relevant details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). the following power projects are under active consideration for implementation in the private/joint sector: